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To: Vaught, Laura
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Sent: 7/2/2015 7:03:19 PM
To: McCarthy, David [David.McCarthy@mail.house.gov]
CC: Couri, Jerry [JerryCouri@mail.house.gov]
Subject: RE: Possible TSCA hearing

Dave – I'll try to give you a call in a bit to discuss. But just to flag one big problem I know we have – Jim is out of town on vacation next week.

From: McCarthy, David [mailto:David.McCarthy@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2015 1:48 PM
To: Vaught, Laura
Cc: Couri, Jerry
Subject: RE: Possible TSCA hearing

Laura - Just left you a voice mail. As Jerry has mentioned to Sven, It turns out that what works better for our Members is a July 10 informal discussion of these section 8 issues. So no formal testimony or on-the-record testimony. We'll likely gather in 2322 Rayburn at around 10. The five issues we've narrowed it down to are nomenclature, resetting the inventory, the aluminum petition on reporting, recyclers, and the size threshold definition of small business. Each is mentioned in our Committee Report that accompanies H.R. 2576. The meeting will, of course, be bi-par. Besides Shimkus and Tonko, I think Doyle, Johnson, Schrader, Green, and Latta have shown the most interest. I don't anticipate us doing any press on it. We would like very much for the Agency to join us and participate so that our Members can get the Agency perspective on each of these issues. All five issues were ones where we had Member interest in addressing in HR 2576 but we did not have time to sort out. We're all trying to gauge people's continuing interest. I'm at my desk for another hour or so, 226-9606. Or try my cell anytime Personal Phone / Ex. 6. Thanks so much. Dave

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Sent: 4/27/2015 3:25:24 AM
To: Deveny, Adrian (Merkley) [Adrian_Deveny@merkley.senate.gov]
Subject: Re: Call w Gina

Sounds like you have had a big weekend. I am only sort of awake, so let's touch base in the morning. Let me know what's too early. Gina is actually in the office tomorrow morning, so calling there after 8:30 will be easiest way to reach her. We have morning meeting from 8:30-9:00, but looks like she has a few minutes right after. Which of course begs the question of what is that number - sadly I will have to ask and shoot it over to you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 26, 2015, at 11:00 PM, Deveny, Adrian (Merkley) <Adrian_Deveny@merkley.senate.gov> wrote:

Sorry ive been in a negotiating room basically the entire weekend and have fallen way behind on emails. It looks like we have a tentative agreement. I can fill you in if you are awake now--

Personal Phone / Ex. 6 My boss will be trying to call Gina in the morning. Any way we can get him her cell phone number? He is asking for it. I know that is sensitive so let me know what the best approach is for him to call her first thing in the morning.

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 25, 2015, at 4:49 PM, Vaught, Laura <Vaught.Laura@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Adrian - I tried you a couple times today but your voice mail is full. Just give me a call on Personal Phone / Ex. 6 when you want to chat.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 25, 2015, at 11:40 AM, Vaught, Laura <Vaught.Laura@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Adrian - I will give you a call a bit later today if you're around. My sense is tomorrow may be easier than today, but I will have to check.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 24, 2015, at 10:57 PM, Deveny, Adrian (Merkley) <Adrian_Deveny@merkley.senate.gov> wrote:

Laura

My boss was hoping to connect w Gina over the weekend on TSCA. Is that within the realm of possibility? Also, if it is, we should probably talk beforehand. I'm reachable on my cell at

Personal Phone / Ex. 6

Thx

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the
Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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Sent: 4/9/2015 2:23:46 PM
To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]
Subject: FW: TSCA followup

Hey there – sorry to bug you with this, but our scheduling folks are having a hard time reaching Sarah to see if you all still want to do this call/meeting on Monday. Do you know/can you ping her?

Thanks!

From: Kukla, Alison
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 9:23 AM
To: Vaught, Laura; Distefano, Nichole
Subject: FW: TSCA followup

Good Morning – I've called and emailed a few times but can't get a response to confirm this meeting for Monday. Do you know if there's anyone else I can reach out to? Thanks!

From: Kukla, Alison
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 12:15 PM
To: 'Butler, Sarah (Markey)'
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Hi Sarah – just looking to confirm for Monday. Let me know if there are any issues.

Thanks so much!

From: Kukla, Alison
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 11:35 AM
To: 'Butler, Sarah (Markey)'
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Hi Sarah – I just wanted to see if we can confirm the 14th at 11:30AM. Please let me know your office number and if anyone else will be joining the Senator.

Thanks!
Alison

From: Kukla, Alison
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 11:29 AM
To: 'Butler, Sarah (Markey)'
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Hi Sarah – We can do 11:30AM on the 14th, would the Senator be able to come to EPA? Let me know. Thanks!

From: Butler, Sarah (Markey) [mailto:Sarah_Butler@markey.senate.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 02, 2015 11:22 AM
To: Herckis, Arian; Vaught, Laura; Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)

Cc: Kukla, Alison
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Hi Arian and Alison,

Thanks for getting back to us on this meeting request. Unfortunately, Senator Markey does not have a window on April 14th. The best windows for that week are between 10:00am - 3:00pm on Mon 4/14, after 2:30pm on Thurs 4/16 and between 11am-5pm on Friday 4/17.

Do any of those windows work for the Administrator?

Thanks!

Sarah

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From: Herckis, Arian [<mailto:Herckis.Arian@epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2015 9:49 PM
To: Butler, Sarah (Markey); Vaught, Laura; Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)
Cc: Kukla, Alison
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Hi Sarah – Apologies for the delayed response. We don't have too much flexibility on the April 13th but we will take a closer look to see what is doable. Can we also consider April 14th? If you could share any windows of time that work for the Senator that would be great. Alison, copied above, will be in touch to finalize timing.

Thank you,
Arian

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Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2015 4:08 PM
To: Vaught, Laura; Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)
Cc: Herckis, Arian; Kukla, Alison
Subject: RE: TSCA followup

Thanks, Laura. Senator Markey's schedule for the April recess has changed and he is now not available until Monday April 13th. Does the Administrator have any windows to meet that day?

Thanks!

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Hey there – sorry for the delay in responding. I was out of town and am just digging through e-mails. I'm looping Arian and Alison from our scheduling team to help coordinate.

Once it gets scheduled, let's you and I try to touch base before they talk? Hope you're enjoying recess!

Laura

From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [mailto:Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2015 5:12 PM
To: Vaught, Laura
Cc: Butler, Sarah (Markey)
Subject: TSCA followup

Laura

Senator Markey would like to find some time over the recess to meet with the Administrator to talk TSCA. Are there times/dates that work?

I'm copying our scheduler Sarah Butler assuming it may be easier to figure out the logistics that way!

Thanks
Michal

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Subject: RE: any technical feedback?

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From: Cohen, Jacqueline [mailto:jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 4:02 PM
To: Vaught, Laura
Subject: Re: any technical feedback?

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Apparently that is an internal number. Try Personal Phone / Ex. 6

From: Vaught, Laura [mailto:Vaught.Laura@epa.gov]
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Also – do you mean 225?

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From: Cohen, Jacqueline [mailto:jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:41 AM
To: Vaught, Laura; Kaiser, Sven-Erik
Subject: RE: any technical feedback?

Thanks. I understand how bad this week is for everyone, just trying to make any changes we can while we can.

From: Vaught, Laura [mailto:Vaught.Laura@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:40 AM
To: Cohen, Jacqueline; Kaiser, Sven-Erik
Subject: RE: any technical feedback?

Hi Jacqueline – sorry I missed you yesterday. I was out yesterday, and I think Sven is out today as well. Jim – who is also out this week – has a call set at 11:00 to go over the draft with his technical team now that they have had a day to review, but I'm not sure we'll have feedback until that happens. Will be in touch soon.

From: Cohen, Jacqueline [mailto:jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:32 AM
To: Vaught, Laura; Kaiser, Sven-Erik
Subject: any technical feedback?

We have a matter of hours to make changes in the text of the new TSCA bill before it gets circulated. Were there any major technical issues that jumped out at you?

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Sent: 3/18/2015 12:41:25 AM
To: Peppard, Colin (Carper) [Colin_Peppard@carper.senate.gov]
CC: Distefano, Nichole [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=31d32a3a3a9e4591b5fd3eb96e8b78-Distefano,]
Subject: Re: Questions for Administrator Jones

Thanks Colin

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2015, at 8:33 PM, Peppard, Colin (Carper) <Colin_Peppard@carper.senate.gov> wrote:

Nichole and Laura –

These are the questions that I believe Sen. Carper will pose to AA Jones tomorrow. I wanted to share them in advance so Mr. Jones could offer a thoughtful response.

Please let me know if you have any thoughts or questions.

Best,
Colin

1. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->I believe that the most important principle for TSCA reform is to provide EPA with the tools it needs to truly protect the public from harmful chemicals, which it has been unable to do for 40 years under current law. About a year ago, I sent a letter with several of my colleagues to Senators Udall and Vitter calling for nine fundamental changes to a previous draft of their bill to make it more protective of public health. This new draft addressed each of them, including a risk-based safety standard, protection of vulnerable populations, new testing authority for EPA, and an enforceable schedule for action on chemicals.
- ✉ <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Question: I understand that in 2009 EPA laid out several key principles for TSCA reform. Can you tell me if my requests are consistent with EPA's TSCA reform principles?
2. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->I also believe that, despite this important progress on key issues, more could be done to ensure that TSCA reform offers Americans confidence that EPA will be able to protect people from risky chemicals – something that both public health advocates *and* the chemical industry seek. To that end, in a more recent letter to the bill's sponsors, I've highlighted three areas where I'd like to achieve more progress. First, states must have an appropriate role in working with EPA to implement and oversee a new federal TSCA program. Second, EPA regulations should only trump state action after they are finalized. Third, the public should have a way to ask whether EPA has acted appropriately in making chemical prioritization decisions.
- ✉ <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Question: Would these additional changes also be consistent with EPA's principles for meaningful TSCA reform?
3. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->I'd like to drill down on the role of the states in helping to implement a reformed EPA TSCA program. I helped to craft what Ted Kaufman called an "elegant compromise" around the regulation of nationally chartered banks under federal financial laws. Our compromise essentially offered states the ability craft their own standards where federal rules don't

apply, and to have a role in enforcing federal regulations, but limited the states' authority to craft enforce laws in conflict with federal rules.

- ✍ <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Question: Do you agree that this bill would fall short of offering states a similar role for enforcing federal rules under TSCA, which might limit how well TSCA safety rules are able to protect Americans from certain risky chemicals?
- ✍ <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Follow up: Are there other federal environmental laws you are aware of that fail to preserve a role for the states in implementing federal standards?

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Sent: 3/16/2015 6:47:52 PM
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CC: Poirier, Bettina (EPW) [Bettina_Poirier@epw.senate.gov]
Subject: RE: New York AG TSCA Letter

Thanks.

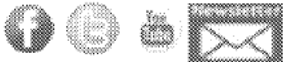
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Sent: Monday, March 16, 2015 2:44 PM
To: Vaught, Laura
Cc: Poirier, Bettina (EPW)
Subject: FW: New York AG TSCA Letter

Laura – fyi – thought you would want to take a look.

Michal

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Sent: 2/25/2015 3:07:46 PM
To: McCarthy, David [David.McCarthy@mail.house.gov]
Subject: Re: Draft Qs for hearing tomorrow

Thanks. She may not have specific answers so may just have to get back on details and talk at high level.

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On Feb 25, 2015, at 9:47 AM, McCarthy, David <David.McCarthy@mail.house.gov> wrote:

Laura – Here are Qs we offered to Mr. Shimkus. He may or may not use them out loud. Thanks. D

TSCA Work Plan Chemicals:

8. In the budget justification, EPA commits to completing the original 83 Work Plan Chemical Risk Assessments by 2018 – approximately 5 have been completed and another 10 are projected to be completed in 2016. We anticipate that between 5 and 10 will likely be completed in 2015. If those goals are achieved, that still leaves approximately 58 chemical priorities to be completed between 2016 and 2018. We noted that you have allocated \$1.8 million in savings identified from other programs to the Work Plan Chemical assessments.

- Is this sufficient to meet the Agency's goals? How and why do you believe this is a sufficient increase in the allocation? How are you anticipating the work on these assessments can be enhanced and completed more efficiently?

Confidential Business Information:

9. On page 1014-1015 of the budget justification, EPA proposes to seek an amendment of TSCA section 26 to assess fees on confidential business information (CBI) claims.

- Can you explain what EPA is contemplating and why? What amount of funding is necessary and why?

Chemical Data Reporting Rule

10. What steps is the Agency taken to enhance the information received from industry in the Chemical Data Reporting effort scheduled in 2016? Will that reporting information give us a better picture of the numbers of chemicals actually in commerce as opposed to the 84,000 listed on the TSCA Inventory?

- How many chemicals does EPA estimate currently in commerce